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## Interview Summary

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Chih-Ching Chow

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Date of Interview: 19 November 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 25.

Identification of prior art discussed: Ferchau.


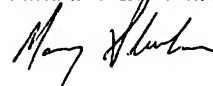
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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PRIMARY EXAMINER**



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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Examiner believes the current independent claims do not distinct from the software testing/integration testing of the well-known Software lifecycle phase. Ferchau's teaching has a narrower scope therefore it still reads on the current application. It's recommended to the Applicant Representative to amend independent claim 1, and 25 so they will include the novelty of the invention, and put the claims in allowable condition.